

Career and Technical Education Committee

Maine State Board of Education Minutes of the February 26, 2016 Meeting

The Career and Technical Education (CTE) Committee held a meeting on Friday, February 26, 2016 at the Department of Education in Augusta. The following were present: Committee Chair Heidi Sampson; and Martha Harris (Board Members); Meg Harvey and Donna Tiner (Department of Education); and Mary Becker, Secretary Associate, State Board of Education.

Guest: Acting Commissioner William Beardsley

Call to Order:

Heidi Sampson called the meeting to order at 2:30 PM.

The minutes of the January 29, 2016 meeting were not available for approval. The Committee will approve the minutes at the April 1, 2016 meeting.

Perkins State Plan: Donna Tiner

When the Carl D. Perkins Act is reauthorized by the Unites State Congress, Maine will write a new state plan which will focus on the initiatives of the new Act. For the Perkins 2016-2017 grant, the State of Maine Perkins State Plan revisions include:

- The focus from NCLB (No Child Left Behind Act) to ESEA (Elementary and Secondary Education Act) to ESSA (Every Student Exceeds Act);
- Maine's Education Commissioner is the designee to the State Workforce Investment Board under WIOA (Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act);
- Revision to the Maine Comprehensive Assessment System Measured Progress; and
- Collaboration with Maine Department of Labor on the implementation of the Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act.

Maine will continue to focus on the key areas of their original State Plan, in addition to the 2015-2016 revised/updated parts of 11.2.A. of Program Administration. See handout in file.

The State Plan is due April 18th.

CTE Update from DOE: Meg Harvey

- School Reviews: Farmington's review is scheduled for March 7-10.
- <u>Positions</u>: The Standards and Assessment position has been filled by Peter Osborne.
- Chapter 232: Re-write of Chapter 232 "Standard Criteria for Maine Secondary Vocational Programs". This Chapter adopts Standard Criteria for Maine Secondary Vocational Programs. These rules detail minimum standards which must be adhered to by educational agencies in planning, implementing and evaluating vocational courses and programs. These standards will be used in conjunction with the Basic Program Approval process provided for in Chapters 125 and 127 and will also be used in course and program review and accreditation procedures. Chapter 232 is nearly complete and ready to go through the APA process (Administrative Procedure Act). There is a timing issue with proficiency based education and the 350 minimum hours of CTE instruction
- <u>CTE School for Kennebunk/Kennebunkport</u>: At this time, due to existing laws, students of Kennebunk and Kennebunkport may attend either Biddeford or Sanford CTE schools. There is no impact on Federal Subsidy.
- <u>Workforce Investment and Opportunity Act (WIOA)</u>: There is less mention of CTE in the new plan. Information will be forthcoming.
- <u>Internship and CTE Mentorship</u>: This will be on the website and more information will be shared at the next Committee meeting.
- <u>Comprehensive School Review Final Reports</u>: Meg updated the Committee on the delivery of final school review reports. The last revisions to Chapter 232 were completed in 1979.
- <u>CTE Bond Legislation:</u> The \$25 million dollar CTE Bond is moving forward. It is ready to be placed on a ballot for a final decision by voters. Equipment and Capital Repairs.
- <u>National FFA (Farmers of America)</u>: An Officer and staff member recently visited Maine on February 21 through February 26, 2016.
- <u>Program Income</u>: Program Income can now be added back in a program without decreasing the amount of the grant. OCTAE (Office of Career, Technical, and Adult Education) has approved.
- <u>Strategic Policy Issues Related to CTE</u>: Acting Commissioner Beardsley attended the meeting and spoke about his vision regarding the direction he would like to see CTE be heading in and he wants to open standard one which is a career and educational development standard.
- <u>Innovative Lab Network</u>: Rachelle Tome has asked Anita Bernhardt and Meg Harvey to participate in the Innovative Lab Network. Nigel Norton, CTE Consultant, will also be involved.

- New Skills for Youth Grant: The JP Morgan Chase "New Skills for Youth Initiative" Grant consists of two phases: a six month plan design development, and early implementation phase, and a three-year implementation phase. During phase one, select states will receive \$100,000 in grant funding. States that are successful in the phase two competition will receive up to \$650,000 per year for three years.
- MACTE (Maine Administrators of Career and Technical Education)Summer Meeting: The MACTE Summer meeting is scheduled for July 27 through July 29. It will be held in Burlington, VT.

<u>Handouts at Meeting</u> (copies in file)

- State Grant Submission Changes
- Advance CTE Legislative Update: President Obama Unveils Final Budget Request to Congress as Senate Honors CTE Month
- Flash Edition CTE and Adult Education Initiatives FY 2017 Budget
- Policy and Legislation News Legislative Update 2/17/2016
- Reference to CTE in ESSA

The next CTE Committee meeting is scheduled for Friday, April 1, 2016. The meeting will be held in room 538 at the Cross State Office Building.

Meeting adjourned at 3:39 PM